

COUNCIL CHAMBERS -- CITY COUNCIL
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1942

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was called to order by the Mayor at 8:00 o'clock P.M. at the place and on the date first above in these minutes written, Councilmen Coffield, Riggs, Rinn, Weihe and Bull (Mayor) present, none absent.

The minutes of the last meeting held June 3, 1942 were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor.

Mr Ralph B. Francis, Director of Recreation, made an oral report stating that the present method of handling laundry at the Municipal Baths on a piece basis with a commercial laundry showed a daily savings of about seventy-four cents over the lump allowance formerly used. He also stated that the candy concession at the same place would show a daily profit of about \$2.00. Mr Francis, having been called for service in the United States Navy immediately, recommended that Mr Dick A. Smith, who had been serving as his assistant, be retained until the Recreation Commission had made it's recommendations and proper action had been taken by the City and the two School Districts in regard to his successor. Mayor Bull, other Councilmen concurring, informed Mr Francis that the Council would consider Mr Francis absence as "on leave", this bringing him under the provisions of Resolution No 1068 relating to the positions of City employees called into or enlisting in the armed forces of the United States.

Mr Rolla J. Custer, representing former teachers and students at Salem School, asked that the City accept the custody of the Salem School bell now stored at Clyde Needham School and erect it on a suitable pedestal at Lake Park, using the pillars from the old school building to support a suitable covering for the bell. On motion of Councilman Riggs, Rinn second, the Council accepted custody of this bell and directed the City Engineer to construct suitable mountings.

COMMUNICATIONS - Pacific Coast Electrical Association, Inc. urged that the Council adopt the Uniform Electrical Code of that Association with amendments to cover substitution of critical materials not allowed during the present emergency. Communication ordered referred to John A. Henning, Superintendent of Public Utilities for study and recommendation.

W.S. Reese applied by letter for a contract to haul coarse screenings from the Sewage Disposal Plant, stating that he believed that \$20.00 per month would be a reasonable compensation. Ordered referred to Committee on Public Health and Safety for conference with Mr Reese and, if an agreement was reached, that the City Attorney prepare a suitable contract for submission to the Council at its next meeting.

Mr Charles C. Gross, 614 West Elm Street, asked a refund on a claimed excess water charge of 50¢ per month from February 1940 to May, 1942. The Clerk was directed to inform Mr Gross that he should submit the application in the form of a claim against the City Treasury.

A letter transmitting a certified copy of a Resolution adopted in the State Highway Commission on May 27, 1942 abandoning that part of State Highway No. 53 within the City limits to the City was received and ordered filed. The City Clerk was directed to take the steps necessary to have this reverted highway designated as a "Street of Major Importance"

REPORTS - City Attorney Glenn West stated that he was in receipt of an opinion of the Legal Counsel of the League of California Cities giving his belief that moneys in the "In Lieu Tax Fund" could legally be expended for the purposes of the Local Rationing Board.

Mayor Bull said that he had attended a meeting in San Francisco where the problems of rationing had been fully discussed and that he had received notice that equipment, supplies and personnel would be furnished by the Federal Government, the City to furnish quarters and pay telephone bills.

The Clerk was directed to ascertain if the Adjutant General would allow the City to use the Armory Building, now under lease to the State, for occupancy by the rationing board.

At this time, Dr Irving Ridenour of the Recreation Commission, Mr Earl Crandall and Amy L. Boynton of the Lodi Co-Ordinating Council

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appeared and presented a written request that the City Council underwrite the proposal to establish and maintain a "Day Care Nursery" project to the extent of \$500.00 for a six months period, the tentative opening date to be on June 29, 1942. On motion of Councilman Rinn, Riggs second, the City Council decided that it would underwrite this project in the sum of \$85.00 monthly for a period of not exceeding six months.

Mr John A. Henning, Superintendent of Public Utilities; Mr Clinton Henning, City Engineer and Street Superintendent; Mr Fred W. Post, In charge of the City Sewage Disposal Plant; Mr W. G. Hurrle, Superintendent of Parks; Mr Clarence S. Jackson, Chief of Police and Mr Earl May, Chief of the Fire Department, being in attendance, the Mayor informed them as heads of their respective departments, that all expenditures should be restricted during the present emergency and that work and materials should be strictly confined to operation and maintenance. Expenditures for other purposes or involving considerable expense, to be made only on specific authorization from the City Council.

Councilman Robert H. Rinn of the Committee on Public Health and Safety reported that his Committee had met and considered Fire Chief May's letter of May 19th, read in the City Council May 20th, and that the Committee was unanimously in favor of the employment of a full-time fire chief.

Chief of Police C.S. Jackson addressed the Council in regard to installing "black-out" lights on cars necessary to be moving on the streets during black-out periods. He stated that sixty-six cars would need these lights, costing about 84¢ for each light. Information was given that the cost of installation would amount to from \$7.50 to \$9.00 per car. Mayor Bull reported that the sum of \$500.00 would be necessary to establish Red Cross Emergency Stations. No action taken.

At this time, Chief Jackson recommended that Mr Herbert Dockter be appointed temporarily to the position of Police Patrolman, to serve until an eligible list could be established. The appointment was made necessary by the absence of Patrolman Galen S. Stouder, called to service in the United States Navy. Chief Jackson's recommendation was approved by unanimous consent.

Mr Fred W. Post, Superintendent of the Sewage Disposal Plant, reported on conditions at that plant, particularly as to the decrept condition of the Byron Jackson pumps and the speed reducers on the Dore Clarifiers. Mr Post asked that provision be made to house cylinders of liquid chlorine from the heat of the sun. At the order of the Council, the City Engineer was directed to make provisions to remedy the causes of complaint.

It appearing that it might soon be impossible to obtain liquid chlorine in 150# cylinders, the Clerk was directed to write Dow Chemical Company and see if this was a real danger, so that steps might be taken to substitute 2,000# containers.

Superintendent of Public Utilities John A. Henning recommended that Harold G. Dutton's wages be increased from 50¢ per hour to 60¢ and Clinton Henning, City Engineer asked that G.H. Nighswonger's pay be raised from 50¢ to 60¢ per hour. On motion of Councilman W. H. Coffield second, both requests were ordered granted effective from June 1, 1942.

Mr W.G. Hurrle requested a light truck for the Park Department to take the place of the worn out truck now in use. City Engineer Henning suggested that men and trucks from the Street Department could take care of such hauling as could not be handled by the park pick-up.

At 11:00 o'clock P.M. Councilman Coffield was excused and left the meeting.

Formal notice of the enlistment of Patrolman Galen S. Stouder in the U.S. Navy was received from Chief of Police Jackson, also, a form for request for certification of applicants to fill the vacancy thereby created from the Department of Personnel. Applicants for this position to serve for the duration of the present war. On motion of Councilman Rinn, Riggs second, the Personnel Clerk was authorized to advertise for applicants to this position and to conduct an examination therefore.

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Notices from the State Board of Equalization of applications for transfer of liquor licenses held by Fred Walter at 114 N. School Street to M.A. Wein at the same address were read. No objections offered. Similar notice of the application of W.A. Lorenz, doing business as Cezecher Inn at 114 N. Cherokee Lane for transfer to him of the wine and beer license now held by John M. Delatour at 113 N. Cherokee Lane met with objection and the Clerk was directed to file a protest against this transfer with the State Board of Equalization.

Business License Applications Nos 371 to 391, first read on May 20th were again read and there being no objections, licenses were ordered granted.

Specifications for the Printing of Legal Notices, etc during the year ending June 30, 1943 were approved by the adoption of Resolution No. 1131 which also directed the Clerk to advertise for bids returnable July 1, 1942. This Resolution was introduced by Councilman Rinn, Weihe second, and carried by the assenting votes of all Councilmen present.

The Clerk was directed to investigate the cost and coverage of "War Risk Insurance" and report to the Council.

The application of Mrs J. T. Harbin for permission to move a 9' by 12' frame building from 118 West Pine Street to 25 N. School Street was ordered tabled.

Supermold Corporation, contemplating an addition to its plant on North Sacramento Street for storage and assembly purposes, asked that the City Council endorse its application to the Federal Housing Authority and to the War Production Board for a "project rating". The Mayor was authorized to approve this application by letter in the name of the City Council by motion made by Councilman Rinn, Riggs second.

Mayor Bull asked that all heads of departments make a survey of materials on hand to ascertain if there is any unused rubber that could be contributed to the national rubber drive.

Warning that householders must discontinue throwing refuse on the streets and in the gutters was again issued by the Council as provisions had been made with Sanitary City Scavenger Company to remove this material when properly boxed near private garbage cans.

W. F. Meeske, Personnel Clerk, filed a proposed classification of salaries and wages in compliance with Section 4, Paragraph (e) of Ordinance No. 276 but adoption was postponed to enable the Councilmen to consider it for a longer time than was then available.

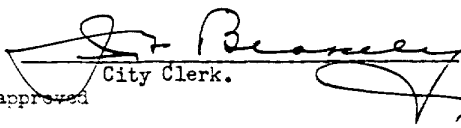
At 11:45 o'clock P.M. the Council was called into executive session by the Mayor and the room cleared, returning to open session at 12:07 A.M. of June 18th.


On motion duly made, second and carried, City Attorney Glenn West was directed to prosecute and appeal from the judgement to be rendered in Case 32382, Department 2 of the Superior Court of San Joaquin County, F. Shealor vs The City Council of the City of Lodi as set forth in the Memorandum of Opinion filed June 16, 1942.

The Committee on Public Health and Safety recommended that Earl May be employed as full time Fire Chief for a probationary period of six months from July 1, 1942 at a salary of \$225.00 per month, the services of the present First and Second Assistant Fire Chiefs to cease on the same date. The recommendation was approved on motion of Councilman Riggs, Rinn second.

At 12:34 A.M. of Thursday, June 18th, 1942 the City Council adjourned on motion of Councilman Weihe.

The foregoing minutes read and approved
July 1, 1942.


City Clerk.


Mayor.